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In the Matter of)
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Amendment of Part 2 of the)
Commission's Rules to Allocate the) ET Docket No. 97-214
455-456 MHz, and 459-460 MHz Bands)
to the Mobile-Satellite Service)

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Leo One USA Corporation ("Leo One USA"), by its attorneys, hereby requests an extension of time for filing reply comments in the above-referenced proceeding. Pursuant to the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking,¹ reply comments are due on December 15, 1997. As is explained below, Leo One USA requests a one-week extension of time until December 22, 1997 for filing reply comments.

There has been a voluminous response to the Commission's request for comment on the frequency allocation proposed in the *Notice*. More than 35 comments were filed. Due to problems scanning documents into the Commission's document retrieval system, a significant number of comments were not available for review until December 8 or later, at least one week after the deadline for filing comments.

In the brief time it has had to review those comments, Leo One USA has discovered the comments raise numerous technical issues which will require further analysis. Given the important

¹ *Amendment of Part 2 of the Commission's Rules to Allocate the 455-456 MHz, and 459-460 MHz bands to the Mobile-Satellite Service, FCC 97-363, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Oct. 14, 1997) ("Notice").*

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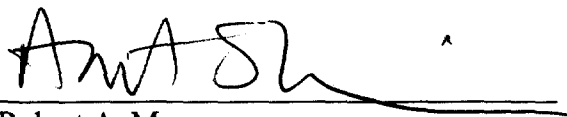
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issues at stake in this proceeding, Leo One USA submits that the public interest would be served by allowing additional time for thorough analysis and preparation of response comments. Moreover, grant of this *de minimis* extension request would prevent prejudicing any party's rights due to the previous unavailability of some of the comments.

Leo One USA has discussed this request with Final Analysis Communications Services, Inc. and Orbital Communications Corporation, the other Little LEO parties that commented in this proceeding. Both parties support this request.

For the foregoing reasons, Leo One USA requests a one-week extension of the deadline for filing reply comments until December 22, 1997.

Respectfully submitted,

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